

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-10 and 12-13 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Harju et al ("A Flexible Rake Receiver Architecture for WCDMA Mobile Terminals" Digital and Computer Systems Laboratory, Tampere University of Technology, Tampere, Finland, March 20-23, 2001) in view of Medlock et al (US 2002/0037027). The rejection of claims 1-10 and 12-13, as amended, is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1, 12, and 13 have been amended to further define the multiplexer configuration of the present invention without adding any new matter to distinguish over the teachings of the Medlock et al reference.

The Medlock et al reference was cited by the Examiner in this Final Office Action to overcome the output multiplexer limitations added in the response to the First Office Action. While Medlock et al does show multiplexers, the claimed multiplexer configuration is neither taught nor suggested therein. The primary Harju et al reference is silent on the multiplexer configuration. Therefore, the combination of the two cited references neither teaches nor suggests the limitations of claims 1, 12, and 13 as amended. Claims 1, 12, and 13, as amended, are deemed to distinguish over the cited references and are allowable under 35 USC 103(a). The remaining dependent claims, including objected to claim 11, are deemed to be allowable as being dependent upon allowable base claim 1.

Claim 14 is allowed, which is claim 11 rewritten in independent form.

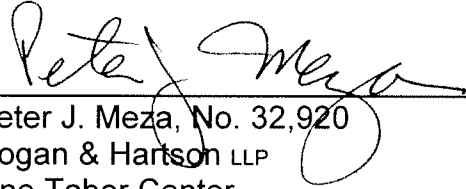
In view of all of the above, the claims are now believed to be allowable and the case in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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No fee is believed due for this submittal. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1123.

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